

SITUATION REPORT NO. 7
INCIDENT NO. 2005-138
DATE: January 5, 2006 Time: 10:30 a.m.

TO: Governor John Hoeven
State Capitol
Bismarck ND 58505

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: **Severe Winter Storm** – A winter storm with heavy snow, freezing rain and high winds moved through portions of North Dakota on November 27-30, 2005, disrupting electrical power and bringing transportation to a stand-still.
2. DEATHS AND INJURIES: No change from previous reports.
3. DAMAGES: No change from previous reports.
4. RESOURCES:

 LOCAL: No change from previous reports.

 STATE: No change from previous reports.

 FEDERAL: No change from previous reports.
5. VOLUNTEER ACTION: No change from previous reports
6. MAJOR ACTIONS: Gov. John Hoeven today announced that President Bush has approved his request for a Presidential Disaster Declaration for impacts resulting from the November 27-30 snow storm that caused power outages, damaged electrical power infrastructure and isolated rural residents and southeastern communities. Counties included in the emergency declaration are Cass, Ransom, Richland and Sargent. The disaster declaration will open access for the four counties to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance Program and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). All jurisdictions in North Dakota, even tribal and local governments outside the four declared counties are eligible to apply for assistance under the HMGP. This represents the third request for a Presidential Disaster Declaration within the state in a one-year period. Hoeven requested and received approval for two

declarations earlier in 2005, one for severe summer weather in June and the second for the early snowstorm of October 4-6.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: No change from previous reports.
8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: No change from previous reports.
9. OTHER INFORMATION: The N.D. Division of Homeland Security's Situation Reports are posted on the Division's Internet home page. The address is <http://www.state.nd.us/des>.

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